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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Jin-gyo SEO et al.

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Group Art Unit: 2627

Confirmation No. 2532

Filed: July 3, 2000

Examiner: Michael V. Battaglia

For: ADAPTIVE WRITING METHOD FOR HIGH-DENSITY OPTICAL RECORDING
APPARATUS AND CIRCUIT THEREOF

COMMENTS REGARDING STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner provided a Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Office Actions, such as the Action mailed April 4, 2006, based at least in part on reasons set forth in prior Office Actions. It is respectfully submitted that any such reasons previously set forth may not correspond to the scope of the claims as presently presented, and that claims generally contain additional features further distinguishing over the prior art. As specified in MPEP 1302.14, "care must be taken to ensure that such reasons are accurate, precise, and do not place unwarranted interpretations, whether broad or narrow, upon the claims." It is submitted that the Examiner's Statement does not meet these standards and, instead, raises "possible misinterpretations... and possible estoppel effects" (MPEP 1302.14) and, accordingly, should be disregarded. It further is submitted that the claims noted above are not constrained by any previous characterizations by the Examiner, and that the claims speak for themselves as to what features are included therein and are their own best evidence as to the reasons for allowance of same.

Respectfully submitted,

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